

## UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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<u>CERTIFIED MAIL</u> 7014 2870 0001 9580 8020 RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

REPLY TO THE ATTENTION OF:

Mr. Dave Schoeff, Town Manager Town of North Manchester 103 East Main Street North Manchester, Indiana 46962

> Re: Information Request Pursuant to Section 308 of the Clean Water Act (CWA), 33 U.S.C. § 1318 40 CFR Part 503 North Manchester Wastewater Treatment Plant NPDES No. IN0020362 2014 Annual Report

Dear Mr. Schoeff:

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency is issuing this Request for Information to the Town of North Manchester, pursuant to Section 308(a) of the Clean Water Act (CWA), 33 U.S.C. § 1318(a). The EPA received the Town's 2014 annual report, and determined additional information is required to determine the Town's compliance with the requirements of 40 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) § 503 - Standards for Use and Disposal of Sewage Sludge. The Town submitted the annual report for the North Manchester Wastewater Treatment Plant, National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Permit Number IN0020362.

Section 308 of the CWA authorizes the EPA to require the submission of any information necessary to carry out the objectives of the CWA, including determining whether any person is in compliance with the requirements of the CWA. The records requested are those which must be retained per 40 CFR § 503.17. You must provide the EPA with this information according to the instructions in the enclosures. Enclosure A specifies the information that you must submit. The EPA requires you to provide the information requested in Enclosure A within 21 calendar days of receipt of this letter. Please read the instructions in Enclosure A carefully before preparing your responses.

Please be advised that failure to respond accurately, or the submission of false information, may subject you to civil or criminal penalties under Section 309 of the CWA, 33 U.S.C. § 1319, and/or 18 U.S.C. § 1001. Further note that the EPA reserves the right to pursue appropriate enforcement actions under Section 309 of the CWA, including penalties, for violations of the CWA.

The information required by this request must be submitted notwithstanding any claim you may have concerning confidentiality. You may assert a claim of business confidentiality for any portion of the submitted information under the provisions of 33 U.S.C. § 1318 and 18 U.S.C. § 1905. The EPA will consider and process such a request pursuant to such statutes and the EPA regulations at 40 CFR Part 2, Subpart B. If no claim of confidentiality accompanies the information received, the EPA may make the

information available to the public without further notice to you. If you assert a confidentiality claim for any of the information you provide to EPA, you must prove that claim. Enclosure B specifies the assertion and substantiation requirements for business confidentiality claims. Please note that pursuant to 40 CFR § 2.302, effluent data, as defined therein, is not eligible for confidential treatment.

This Request for Information is being sent through the EPA's Biosolids Center located in EPA's Region 7 office in Lenexa, Kansas. As the enclosed instructions indicate, the response to this Request for Information is to be sent to EPA Region 7 and also to Region 4. We appreciate your cooperation and prompt attention to this matter. If you have any questions regarding this Request for Information, please contact Michael Hom, Environmental Engineer, at (404) 562-9748 or by e-mail to: hom.michael@epa.gov. Legal inquiries should be directed to Patricia Gillispie Miller at (913) 551-7283 or by email to: miller.patriciag@epa.gov.

Sincerely,

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Chief, Water Enforcement and Compliance

Assurance Branch

Enclosures A and B

cc: Diane Huffman, USEPA Region 7